



*Embassy of the United States of America*

## **U.S. Mission in Guatemala**

### **VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: G17-003**

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**OPEN TO:** All Interested Candidates

**POSITION:** INL Procurement Agent

**OPENING DATE:** January 12, 2017

**CLOSING DATE:** January 26, 2017

**WORK HOURS:** Full-time, 40 hours/week

**SALARY:** *Ordinarily Resident (OR): FSN-7: Q133,375.00 (p.a.)*  
*Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR): FP-7: \$42,169.00*  
(Starting Annual Salary)  
\*Final grade/step for NORs will be determined by Washington.

The “Open To” category listed above refers to applicants who are eligible to apply for this position. The “Open To” category should not be confused with a “hiring preference” which is explained later in this vacancy announcement.

**ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (See Appendix for definition) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.**

The International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Agency (INL) in Guatemala is seeking eligible and qualified applicants for the position of **Procurement Agent**.

#### **BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION**

Incumbent works under the supervision of the Procurement Team Leader. The incumbent is responsible for supporting a myriad of INL programs/projects acquisitions and contracts with an approximate annual value of \$2,000,000.00, including the implementation, administration and performance of such contracts and their collateral administrative duties thereof. The incumbent prepares purchase actions and their proper documentation for commodities and services based on FAR, DOSAR and INL supplemental regulations (sole source/origin

waivers, etc.). The incumbent is responsible for developing special projects assigned that require planning, work prioritization resolution of project problems and deadlines. The incumbent is an active member of the US Government Purchase Card Program by controlling, using and maintaining a government purchase card with a high limit of \$25,000 per transaction and \$100,000 per month. Incumbent must coordinate with INL management at post, INL/RM/GAPP in Washington, RPSO Ft. Lauderdale, post GSO and FMO, other agencies at post and GOG officials

## **QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED**

**Applicants must address each required qualification listed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item. Failure to do so may result in a determination that the applicant is not qualified.**

- 1. EDUCATION:** Four-year university degree with studies in business administration, management, accounting or finance is required.
- 2. EXPERIENCE:** Three (3) years of experience working in a procurement related field is required.
- 3. LANGUAGE:** Level IV (fluent) speaking/reading/writing English and level IV (fluent) speaking/reading/writing Spanish are required. Proficiency will be tested.
- 4. JOB KNOWLEDGE:** Good working knowledge (Level IV) in Microsoft Office software programs. Good working speed on accuracy of keyboard skills (minimum 40 wpm). Incumbent must know basic procurement procedures. Good knowledge of stores and their locations in Guatemala is required. Jobholder must know how to conduct market research via the Internet.
- 5. SKILLS AND ABILITIES:** Negotiation skills and ability to deal with sensitive customers. Good communication skills to obtain quotes for products and services. Customer service oriented. Jobholder must have the ability to draft letters, memos, and general correspondence in English and Spanish. Incumbent must have a valid Guatemalan driver's license.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** The complete position description listing all of the duties and responsibilities may be obtained on our website at [http://guatemala.usembassy.gov/employment\\_opportunities.html](http://guatemala.usembassy.gov/employment_opportunities.html).

**HIRING PREFERENCE SELECTION PROCESS:** Applicants in the following hiring preference categories are extended a hiring preference in the order listed below. Therefore, it is essential that these applicants accurately describe their status on the application. Failure to do so may result in a determination that the applicant is not eligible for a hiring preference.

**HIRING PREFERENCE ORDER:**

**(1) AEFM / USEFM who is a preference-eligible U.S. Veteran\***

**(2) AEFM / USEFM**

**(3) FS on LWOP\*\***

**\* IMPORTANT:** Applicants who claim status as a preference-eligible U.S. Veteran must submit a copy of the most recent Member Copy Four (4) of the DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, and, if applicable, a letter from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. If claiming conditional eligibility for U.S. Veterans' preference, applicants must submit proof of conditional eligibility. If the written documentation confirming eligibility is not received in the HR office by the closing date of the vacancy announcement, the U.S. Veterans' preference will not be considered in the application process. Mission HR's decision on eligibility for U.S. Veterans' preference after reviewing all required documentation is final.

**\*\*** This level of preference applies to all Foreign Service employees on LWOP.

**ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA:**

1. Management may consider any of the following when determining successful candidacy: nepotism, conflicts of interest, budget, and residency status.
2. Current OR employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply. Current OR employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report (EPR) are not eligible to apply.
3. Current NOR employees hired on a Family Member Appointment (FMA) or a Personal Service Agreement (PSA) are not eligible to apply within the first 90 calendar days of their employment, unless they have a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.
4. The candidate must be able to obtain and hold **LOCAL** security certification.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Applicants must submit the following documents to be considered. Failure to do so may result in a determination that the applicant is not qualified.

1. Universal Application for Employment (UAE) (Form DS-174), which is available on our website or by contacting Human Resources. (See "For Further Information" above);
2. Copy of CV;
3. Copy of national document (DPI); and
4. Any additional documentation that supports or addresses the requirements listed above (e.g. transcripts, degrees, etc.)

**IMPORTANT:** All EFM applicants claiming a U.S. Veteran's preference must submit written documentation confirming eligibility (e.g., Member Copy 4 of Form DD-214, Letter from the Veteran's Administration, or certification documenting eligibility under the VOW

Act with an expected discharge no later than 120 days after the certification is submitted) by the closing date of the vacancy announcement. If the written documentation confirming eligibility is not received in the HR office by the closing date of the vacancy announcement, the U.S. Veteran's preference will not be considered in the application process.

#### **WHERE TO APPLY:**

**Human Resources Office** Envelope addressed to Carolina Búrbano

**Mailing Address:** Corner of 1a. Avenida/7a. Calle "A" zona 10, Guatemala  
(correspondence booth located at the corner).

**E-mail Address:** [GuatemalaRecruitment@state.gov](mailto:GuatemalaRecruitment@state.gov) (Please be advised that electronic applications will be considered only for applicants currently residing outside of the country of Guatemala. For applicants residing in Guatemala, we will not consider electronic applications, they must be delivered to the Mailing Address indicated above.

**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** The U.S. Mission provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs. The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

#### **APPENDIX A - DEFINITIONS**

**Eligible Family Member (EFM):** An EFM for employment purposes is defined as an individual who meets **all** of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen or not a U.S. Citizen; **and**
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610); **or**
- Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term "child" shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchild, adopted child, and a child under legal guardianship of employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner when such child is expected to be under legal guardianship until 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian; **or**
- Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support; **or**
- Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support; **and**

- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; **and**
- Is under chief of mission authority.

**U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):** A USEFM is an individual who meets **all** of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; **and**
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) of the sponsoring employee; **or**
- Child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; **and**
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and resides at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad, or as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and is under chief of mission authority; **or**
- resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2; **or**
- Currently receives a U.S. Government retirement annuity or pension from a career in the U.S. Foreign Service or Civil Service.

**Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):** An AEFM is an individual who meets **all** of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; **and**
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) of the sponsoring employee; **or**
- Child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; **and**
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT); **and**
- Is under chief of mission authority; **and**
- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; **and**
- Does NOT currently receive a U.S. Government retirement annuity or pension from a career in the U.S. Foreign Service or Civil Service.

**Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** – An individual who meets the following criteria:

- An EFM, USEFM or AEFM of a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed abroad, or as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
- Has diplomatic privileges and immunities; and
- Is eligible for compensation under the FS or GS salary schedule; and
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN); and
- Is not a citizen of the host country; and
- Does not ordinarily reside in the host country; and
- Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws.